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### THE UNITED STAYIES OF AMERICA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME;

## Monsanto Company

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#### Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED DISTINCT VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED, OR TUBER PROPAGATED, PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF TWENTY YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALLS, OR REPRODUCING IT, OR IMPORTING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR CONDITIONING IT FOR PROPAGATION, OR STOCKING IT FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE PURPOSE, OR USING IT IN ODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT VARIETY THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE PLANT VARIETY OTTECTION ACT. IN THE UNITED STATES SEED OF THIS VARIETY (I) SHALL BE SOLD BY VARIETY NAME ONLY AS A SOFT CERTIFIED SEED AND (2) SHALL CONFORM TO THE NUMBER OF GENERATIONS SPECIFIED BY THE OWNER OF GEHTS. (84 STAT. 1542, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

WHEAT, COMMON

'Thunderbolt'

In Testimonn Microst, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Hant Pariety Protection Office to be affixed at the City of Washington, D.C. this twenty-ninth day of Tebruary, in the year of our Lord two thousand.

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Secretary of Agriculture

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE SCIENCE DIVISION - PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION		The following statements are made in accordance with the privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a)					
APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTI (Instructions and information collection burden statemen	ON CERTIFICATE	Application is required in order to determine certificate is to be issued (7 U.S.C. 2421) Info until certificate is issued (7 U.S.C. 2426).					
1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S) (as it is to appear on the Certificate)		2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR	3. VARIETY NAME				
Monsanto Company HybriTech U.S., a unit of Monsanto Company		W95-188	Thunderbolt				
4. ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and Zip Code)		5. TELEPHONE (include area code)	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY				
•			PVPO NUMBER 9 0 0 3 0 4				
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		6. FAX (include area code)	F DATE				
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		316-755-0072	1 5/27/99				
7. GENUS AND SPECIES NAME	8. FAMILY NAME (Boto	l mical)	FILING AND EXAMINATION FEE:				
Triticum aestiyum	Gramineae						
9. CROP KIND NAME (common name)							
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Hard Red Winter Wheat		t 5/27/99					
10. IF THE APPLICANT NAMED IS NOT A "PERSON", GIVE FORM OF OR	GANIZATION (corporation, pa	rtnership, association,etc.) (common name)	E / / / / / / CERTIFICATION FEE				
Corporation		B					
11. IF INCORPORATED, GIVE STATE OF INCORPORATION		12. DATE OF INCORPORATION	DATE				
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Dr. Blaine Johnson, Program Director 806 N. Second Street MONS ANTO Wichita wheat Technolog PO Box 1320 Borthoud, Colorado 80513 Wichita KS 6	Mr. Robert Bruns 806 N. Second Street PO Box 30 Berthoud, Colorado 80513 970-532-3721	970-532-9840- 316-755-7705 15. FAX (include area code) 316-755-0072 970-532-2035					
16. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED ( a. X Exhibit A. Origin and Breeding History of the Variety b. X Exhibit B. Statement of Distinctness c. X Exhibit C. Objective Description of the Variety d. X Exhibit D. Additional Description of the Variety e. X Exhibit E. Statement of the Basis of the Applicants f. X Voucher Sample (2,500 viable untreated seeds, or, for tube g. X Filing and Examination Fee (\$2,450), made payabl 17. DOES THE APPLICANT SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE SI X YES (if "yes", answer items 18 and 19 below)  18. DOES THE APPLICANT SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE L GENERATIONS? X YES  20. HAS THE VARIETY OR A HYBRID PRODUCED FROM THE VARIETY E YES (iF "YES", give names of countries and dates)	s Ownership  or propagated varieties veification  to "Treasurer of the United OLD BY VARIETY NAME ON  IMITED AS TO NUMBER OF	States" (Mail to PVPO)  NLY, AS A CLASS OF CERTIFIED SEED? (See See NO (if 'no", go to item 20)  19. IF 'YES' TO ITEM 18, WHICH CLASSES OF  X FOUNDATION X REGISTER	PRODUCTION BEYOND BREEDERS SEED?				
21. The applicant(s) declare that a viable sample of basic seed of the variety will be applicable, or for a tuber propagated variety a tissue culture will be deposited in The undersigned applicant(s) is(are) the owner(s) of this sexually reproduced or Section 41, and is entitled to protection under the provisions of Section 42 of the Applicant(s) is(are) informed that false representation herein can jeopardize pro	a public repository and mainta tuber plant variety, and believed Plant Variety Protection Act.	ined for the duration of the certificate.					
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (Owner{s})		SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (Owner	(s})				
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NAME (Please print or type)		NAME (Please print or type)	·-				
Dr. Blaine Johnson							
	ATE	CAPACITY OR TITLE	DATE				

## Exhibit A. Origin and Breeding History of Thunderbolt

Thunderbolt was an F3 derived single plant selection from the cross 'Abilene' / KS90WGRC10 [TAM 107\*3/TA2460 (*Triticum tauschii*)], PI549278. The cross was made in 1990 and the single plant selection based upon plant height, fertility and the absence of leaf rust was made in Berthoud, Colorado in 1993. The resulting F4 plant row was tested in preliminary yield trials in 1994 where they were further screened for height, fertility and foliar diseases. Thunderbolt has been tested as a pureline in replicated trials in 1995, 1996, 1997 and 1998 where it was further screened for the previously mentioned traits as well as uniformity and quality. These replicated trials represent a broad geographic area in the Hard Winter Wheat region.

In 1996, 48 head-rows were grown in Berthoud, Colorado and evaluated for phenotypic similarity. Twelve rows, phenotypically similar for plant height and maturity, were harvested individually and grown in Berthoud, Colorado in 1997 as a 0.1 acre progeny initial increase. Seven of these progeny plots were selected based on phenotypic similarity for plant height and maturity. These plots were harvested and bulked to be grown as a 3.9 acre increase in 1998, which produced 16,550 pounds of breeder seed.

Thunderbolt was uniform and stable in 1997 and 1998. About 0.8% of the plants were rogued from the Initial Breeder's Seed increase in 1997. Approximately 85% of the rogued variant plants were taller height wheat plants (5 to 15 cm.), 3% were awnletted wheat plants and 2% were white chaffed wheat plants. Up to 1.0% variant plants may be encountered in subsequent generations.

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### Exhibit B. Statement of Distinctness

BERTHOUD COLO

Thunderbolt is most similar to the hard red winter wheat 'Tam 107'. However it can be easily distinguished by the following morphological characteristics:

- -Thunderbolt has a green plant color at boot stage (R.H.S. Plant Color Chart No. 137B; Berthoud, Colorado 1996, 1997, 1998). Tam 107 has a blue-green plant color at boot stage (R.H.S. Plant Color Chart No. 124A; Berthoud, Colorado 1996, 1997, and 1998).
- -Thunderbolt has a semierect juvenile growth habit (Berthoud, Colorado 1996, 1997, 1998). Tam 107 has a prostrate juvenile growth habit (PVPA#8500181 Exhibit C., Objective Description).

### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE SCIENCE DIVISION BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND 20705

EXHIBIT C (Wheat)

### OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY

WHEAT (Triticum Spp.)

NAME OF APPLICANT(S)	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY
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ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and Zip Code)	NAME OR EXPERIMENTAL
5912 N. Meridian Street	DESIGNATION
Wichita, Kansas 67204-1699	Thunderbolt
Place the appropriate number that describes the varietal character of this variety in the boxes below.  Place a zero in the first box when number is either 99 or less or 9 or less respectively. Data for quantitative principal plants. Comparative data should be determined from varieties entered in the same trial. Restandard may be used to determine plant colors; designate system used.  Please answer all questions for your variety; lack of response may delay progress of your application.	olant characters should be based on a oyal Horticultural Society or any recognized
1. KIND:	
1 1=Common 2=Durum 3=Club 4=Other (specify)	
2. VERNALIZATION:	
2 1=Spring 2=Winter 3=Other (specify)	
3. COLEOPTILE ANTHOCYANIN:	
1 1=Absent 2=Present	
4. JUVENILE PLANT GROWTH:	
2 1=Prostrate 2=Semi-erect 3=Erect	
5. PLANT COLOR (boot stage):	
2 1 = Yellow-Green 2 = Green 3 = Blue-Green	
6. FLAG LEAF (boot stage):	,
2 1 = Erect 2 = Recurved	
2 I = Not Twisted 2 = Twisted	•
7. EAR EMERGENCE:	
0 0 Number of Days Earlier Than	*
0 3 Number of Days Later Than Tam 107	*
8. ANTHER COLOR:	
$1 = YELLOW \qquad 2 = PURPLE$	
9. PLANT HEIGHT (from soil to top of head, excluding awns):	
0 8 cm Taller Than Tam 107	*
0 0 cm Shorter Than	*

<sup>\*</sup> Relative to a PVPO-Apprved Commercial Variety Grown in the Same Trial

2 = Depth 35% or less of Kernel

3 = Depth 50% or less of Kernel

2 = Width 80% or less of Kernel

3 = Width Nearly as Wide as Kernel

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## Exhibit D. Additional Description of Thunderbolt

BERTHOUD COLO

Thunderbolt is a hard red winter wheat bred by Agripro Seeds, Inc. Thunderbolt is a variety with good test weight and average strength straw. It is a medium height semidwarf with medium maturity. Thunderbolt is tolerant to leaf rust and has intermediate resistance to stem rust. Milling and baking characteristics are good.

Juvenile growth habit is semierect. Seedling anthocyanin is present. Plant color at boot stage is green. Auricle anthocyanin and auricle hairs are present. Flag leaf at boot stage is recurved and twisted. Waxy bloom is present on the head, stem and flag leaf sheath. Anther color is yellow. Head shape is tapering and awned. Glumes are glabrous, medium in width and medium in length with oblique shoulders and acuminate beaks. Seed shape is ovate. Brush hairs are medium in size. Seed crease depth is shallow and width is narrow. Seed cheeks are rounded.

Thunderbolt is well adapted to the western production areas of Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Eastern Colorado and the panhandle of Texas.

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# HybriTech Plains Team Quality Summary

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# THUNDERBOLT

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State															
Colorado	9	97.5	95.9	-	97.8	87.5	-	115.5	114.5	-	92.9	113.2	က	94.6	86.9
Kansas	25	63.9	59.2	2	55.6	48.7	2	44.2	31.0	ဖ	79.0	73.4	15	61.6	58.8
Nebraska	~	71.6	73.1				_	80.3	84.3	-	60.1	50.8	2	72.1	75.4
Oklahoma	9	61.2	49.1				-	30.7	23.1		,		5	67.3	54.3
Texas	က	63.4	67.6										က	63.4	67.6
Overall	47	67.2	63.5	က	0.89	61.6	5	63.0	56.8	8	78.4	75.6	34	9.79	64.3

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Data Summary

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Stem	Severity	2	2
Rust	Reaction	-	တ
Leaf	Severity	-	တ
Straw	Strength	4	4
	Height	4	4
	Coleoptile	က	က
	Maturity	4	က
	Heading	4	က
	Var./Line	THUNDERBOL	TAM 107

# Data generated in 1995:

Colorado - Yield, Test Wt., Heading, Leaf Rust, Lodge Severity,

Powdery mildew, Hessian fly, Aluminum tolerance (Lab Screen), Coleoptile length

Goodland, KS - Yield, Test Wt., Lodge Severity

Beloit, KS - Tan Spot

Salina, KS - Yield, Test Wt., Heading, Height, Leaf Rust, Septoria

Everest, KS - Winterkill, Spindle Streak, Soilborne

Saint John, KS - Spindle Streak

Dumas, TX - Test Wt., Shatter, Leaf Rust

Wichita, KS - Leaf Rust, Septoria, Tan Spot

## Data generated in 1996:

Colorado - Yield, Test Wt., Heading, Pollination, Maturity, Height,

Leaf Rust (greenhse screening), Powdery Mildew, Hessian fly,

Coleoptile length, Aluminum Tolerance (Lab screening)

Imperial, NE - Yield, Test Wt., Lodging

Salina, Everest, KS - Yield, Test Wt. Winterkill, Maturity

Goodland, KS, Nardin, OK - Yield, Test Wt., Maturity

Goodland, KS (Irrigated) - Yield, Test Wt., Lodging, Septoria, Wheat Streak

Garden City, KS - Maturity

Dumas, TX - Yield, Test Wt.

Hays, KS - WSMV (Visual screening).

## Data generated in 1997:

Colorado - Yield, Test Wt., Heading, Height, Leaf Rust, Lodge Severity,

Powdery mildew, Hessian fly, Aluminum tolerance, Coleoptile length

Goodland, KS, Hugoton, KS - Yield, Test Wt.

Beloit, KS - Yield, Test Wt., Leaf Rust, Tan Spot

Salina, KS - Yield, Test Wt., Heading, Leaf Rust, Septoria

Quinter, KS - Yield, Test Wt., Leaf Rust, Tan Spot, Lodge Severity

Haven, KS - Yield, Test Wt., Lodge Severity, Shatter

Enid, OK - Aluminum Tolerance

Nardin, OK - Heading, Maturity, Leaf Rust, Septoria

Vernon, TX - Leaf Rust

Paxton, NE - Winterhardiness

Geneva, NE - Yield, Test Wt., Leaf Rust, Green Leaf Retention

# Data generated in 1998:

Colorado - Yield, Test Wt., Heading, Height, Lodge Severity,

Powdery mildew, Coleoptile length

Goodland, KS - Yield, Test Wt., Heading, Spring Growth

Beloit, KS - Yield, Test Wt., Leaf Rust, Tan Spot, Maturity, Lodge severity

Salina, KS - Yield, Test Wt., Height, Maturity

Quinter, KS - Yield, Test Wt., Heading, Lodge Breakage, Spring Growth Hugoton, KS - Yield, Test Wt.

Haven, KS - Yield, Test Wt., Maturity, Powdery Mildew

Enid, OK - Aluminum Tolerance

Nardin, OK - Yield, Test Wt., Leaf Rust, Tan Spot, Septoria

Paxton, NE - Yield, Test Wt.

Hereford, TX - Yield, Test Weight

MacGregor, TX - Leaf Rust, Maturity

Note: Rankings in this table represent the average for a given trait on a 1-9 scale where 1 and 9 represent the extremes for the repective traits.

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Trait 1	Heading early	Maturity early	Coleoptile	Height short	Straw Strength strong	All disease & resistant

insect ratings

HRWW Over-Year, Over-Location Summary W95-188 vs. TAM 107 2 year data summary, 1997 - 1998

2		Yield Bu	ı/Ac		Test Wt. 1	b/Bu
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1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S)	2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NUMBER	3. VARIETY NAME
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5912 N. Meridan Street	316-755-1250	316-755-0072
Wichita, Kansas 67204-1699	7. PVPO NUMBER	
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8. Does the applicant own all rights to the variety? Mark an "X" in approp	riate block. If no, please explain.	X YES NO
9. Is the applicant (individual or company) a U.S. national or U.S. based of	ompany?	X YES NO
If no, give name of country		following:
10. Is the applicant the original owner?		ionoming.
a. If original rights to variety were owned by individual(s), is (are) the o	riginal owner(s) a U.S. national(s)?	
YES 1	NO If no, give name of country	
b. If original rights to variety were owned by a company(ies), is(are) the	e original owner(s) a U.S. based compar	<b>ıy?</b>
X YES	NO If no, give name of country	
11. Additional explanation on ownership (if needed, use reverse for extra s	space):	
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PLEASE NOTE:		
Plant variety protection can be afforded only to owners (not licensees) who meet	one of the following criteria:	
<ol> <li>If the rights to the variety are owned by the original breeder, that person must which affords similar protection to nationals of the U.S. for the same genus and</li> </ol>	be a U.S. national, national of a UPOV men d species.	nber country, or national of a country
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3. If the applicant is an owner who is not the original owner, both the original ow	•	
The original breeder/owner may be the individual or company who directed final	breeding. See Section 41(a)(2) of the Plant	Variety Protection Act for definition.

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## Exhibit E. Statement of the Basis of Applicant's Ownership

The variety for which Plant Variety Protection is hereby sought was developed by Dr. John Moffatt, an employee of Agripro Seeds, Inc. By agreement between employees and Agripro Seeds, Inc., all rights to any invention, discovery, or development made by the employee while employed by Agripro Seeds, Inc., were assigned to Agripro Seeds, Inc., with no rights of any kind pertaining to 'Thunderbolt' being retained by the employees.

By contractual agreement the variety 'Thunderbolt' is currently owned by HybriTech U.S., a unit of Monsanto Company and licensed to Agripro Seeds, Inc. for commercial use.

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